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- 1. It was rumored that the Government would not attempt to form any new collectives.
- Items of greatest barter value in Government stores are butter, meat, sugar, rice, coffee, wheat and corn.
- 3. All medicines may be exchanged. 1
- 4. The lek is the only currency in circulation and is used mostly in denominations of 5, 10, 20, 50, and 100. It is possible, notwithstanding, to exchange gold pounds in Shkoder.

Comments Presumebly legal barter, as well as black market exchange, is meant here.

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